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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document so listed is enclosed.

- (1) PDFReference.pdf "PDF Reference, Third Edition, Adobe Portable Document Format, Version 1.4", Adobe Systems, Inc., November, 2001.
- (2) REC-SVG-20010904.pdf: "Scalable Vector Graphics (SVG) 1.0 Specification", World Wide Web Consortium (W3C), September 4, 2001.
- (3) "Adobe Solutions Network: Acrobat 5.0 SDK Documentation", http://partners.adobe.com/asn/developer/acrosdk/docs.html, visited December 3, 2001.

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(4) "W3C Scalable Vector Graphics (SVG)", http://www.w3.org/Graphics/SVG/Overview.htm8, visited December 3, 2001.

(5) "SVG maker", http://www.sgvmaker.com/tech.htm, visited December 3, 2001.

(6) CDROM containing documents (1) and (2)

In addition, Applicants also respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to co-pending Application No. 09/661,387, filed September 13, 2000 which has been assigned in-common with the present application. A copy of this co-pending application is also enclosed.

The foregoing documents turned up during pre-filing activities in connection with the preparation of the subject application.

Documents (1) and (2) are lengthy. For the Examiner's convenience and to assist in text-based searching thereof, electronic copies of them are provided at item (6) on CDROM, in Adobe's .pdf format. Readers for the .pdf format are widespread, and it is thought that the Examiner will have ready access to one such as Adobe's Acrobat® Reader; if not, Acrobat® Reader can be downloaded for free from www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html.

Documents (1) and (2) were downloaded from the sites listed at items (3) and (4), respectively, which is the reason for inclusion of items (3) and (4). Item (5) gives more details on the SVGMakerTM program discussed at page 3 of the specification.

The Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed

invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialling the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

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